

REMARKS

The undersigned appreciates the Examiner's courtesy in granting the interview which was held by telephone on April 28, 2004. In the interview, it was agreed that the information requested in the Office Action would not be required if FIGS. 1-9C, referenced under the heading "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" were labeled "Prior Art". This amendment makes this change.

As it is believed that this amendment fully responds to the Office Action, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that she telephone applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which she might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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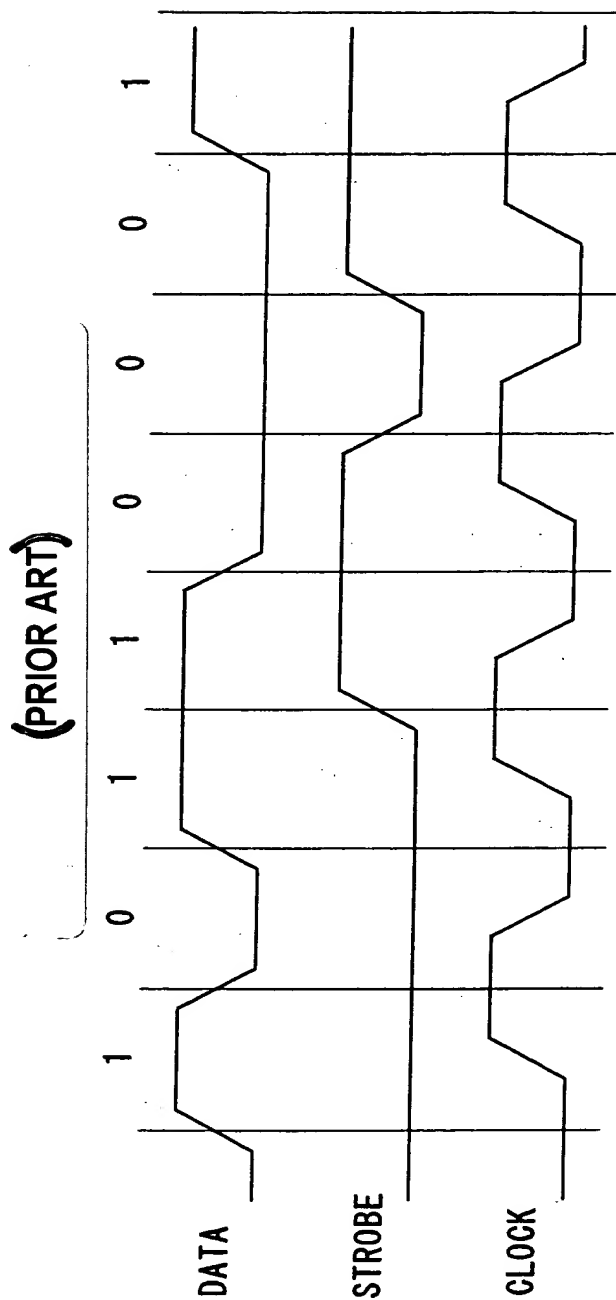
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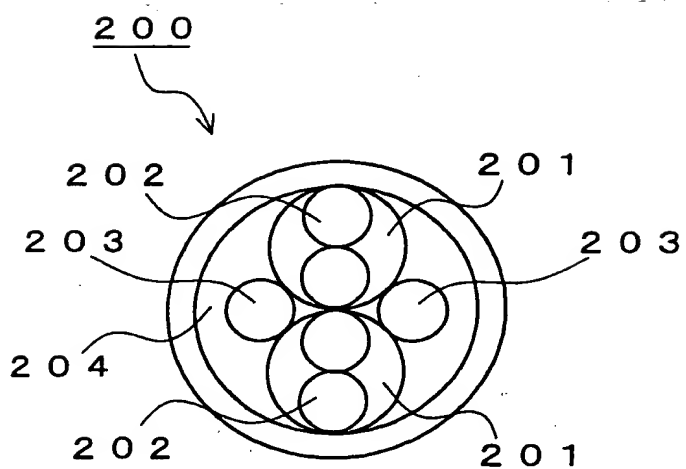
FIG. 1





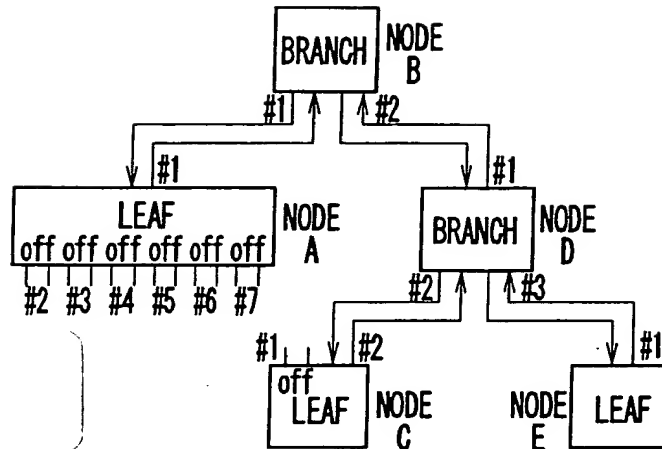
## FIG. 2

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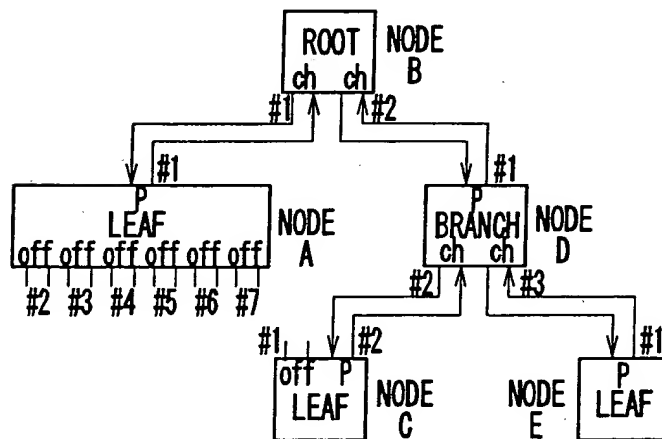
**FIG. 3A**  
 (BUS INITIALIZATION)

(PRIOR ART)



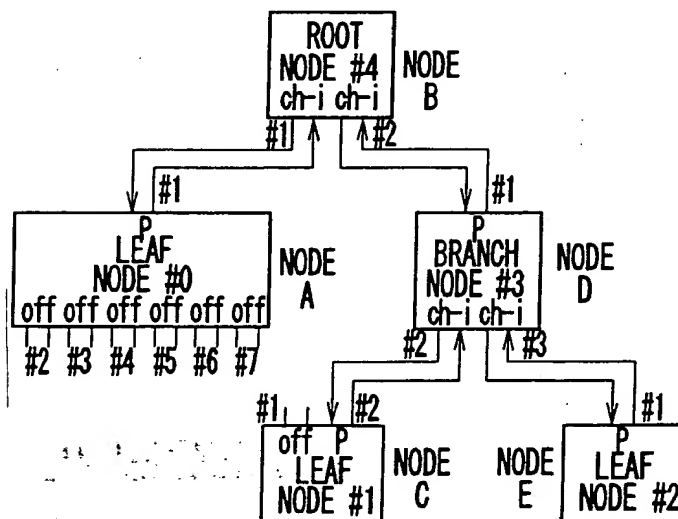
**FIG. 3B**  
 (TREE IDENTIFICATION)

(PRIOR ART)



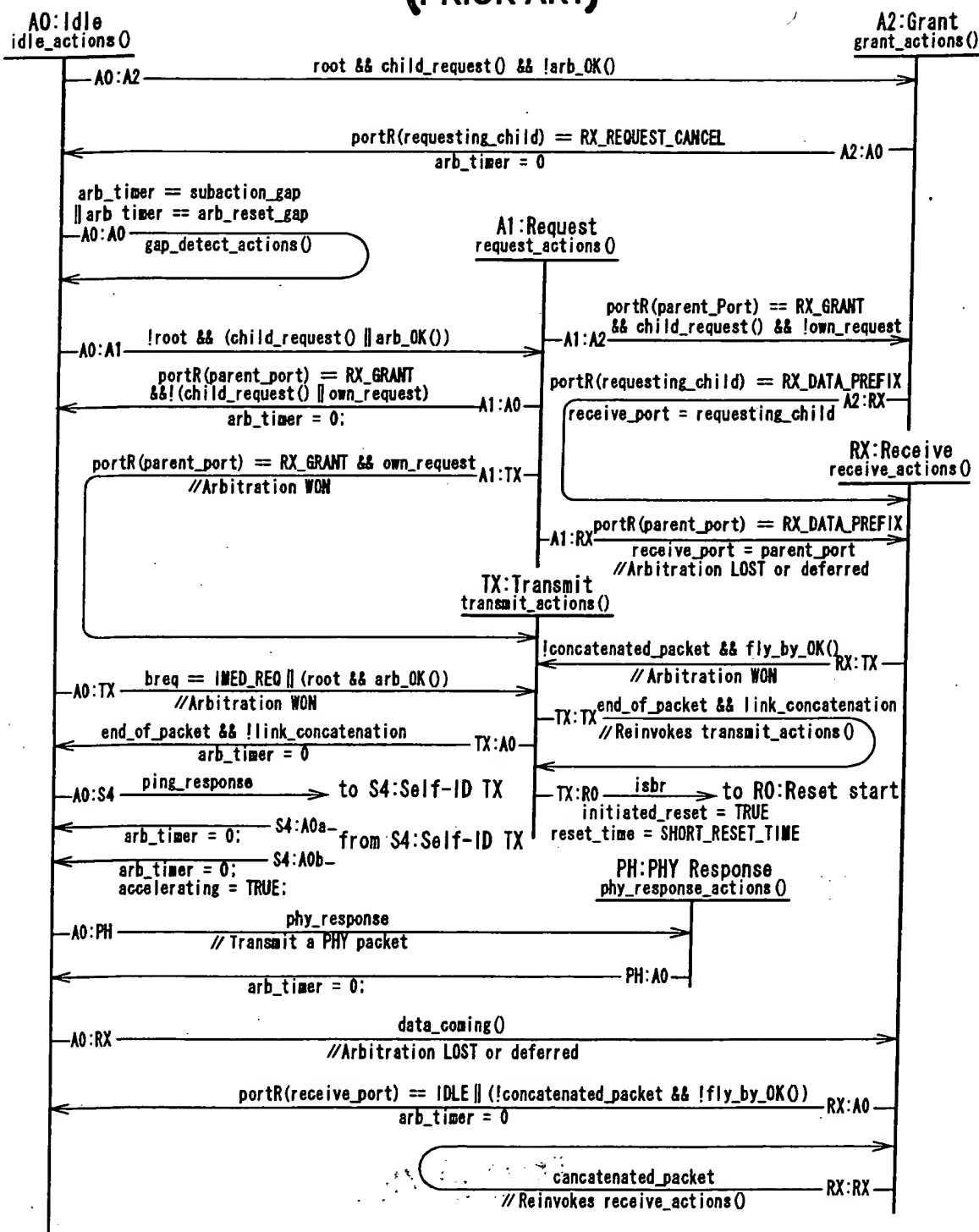
**FIG. 3C**  
 (SELF IDENTIFICATION)

(PRIOR ART)



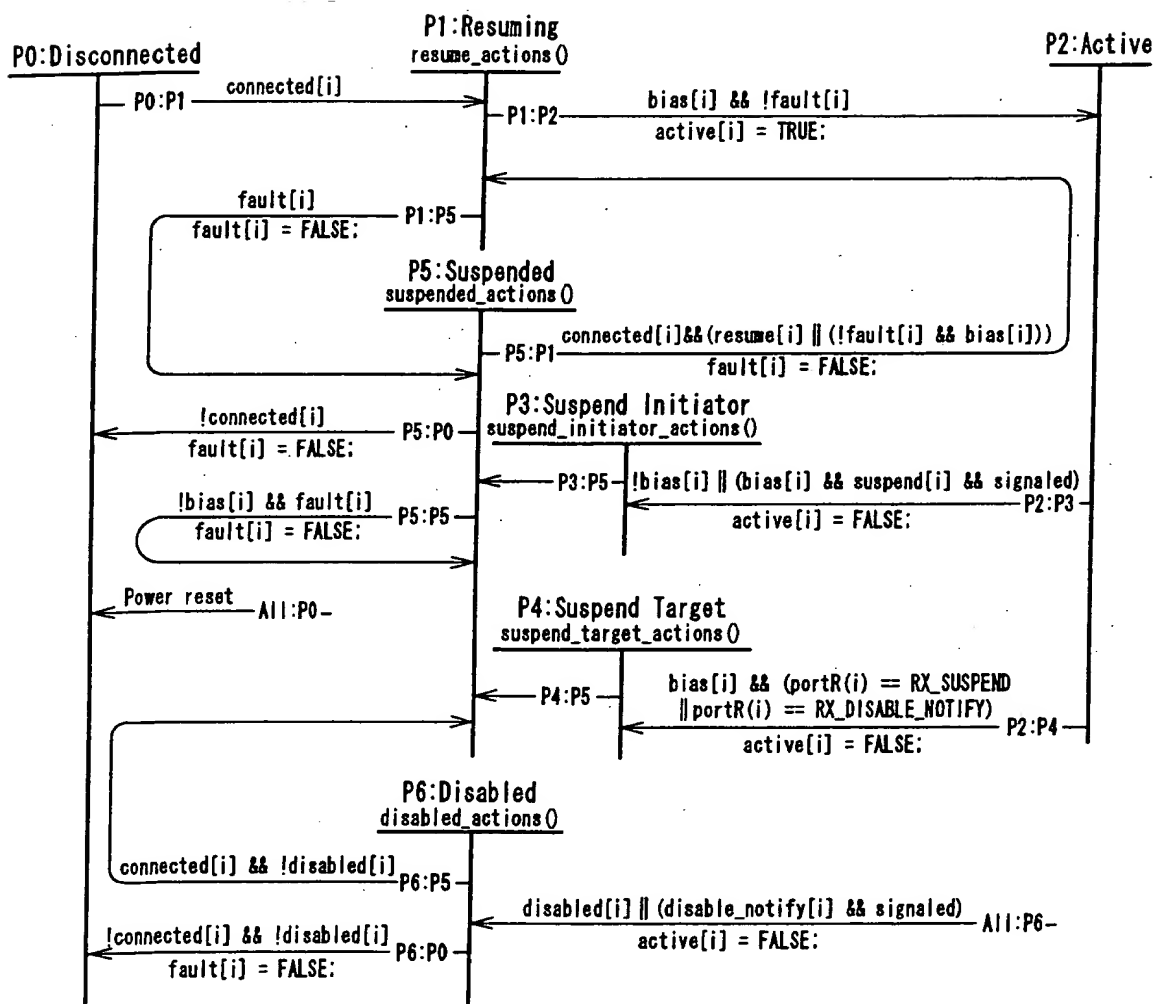
# FIG. 4

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# FIG. 5

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FIG. 6A

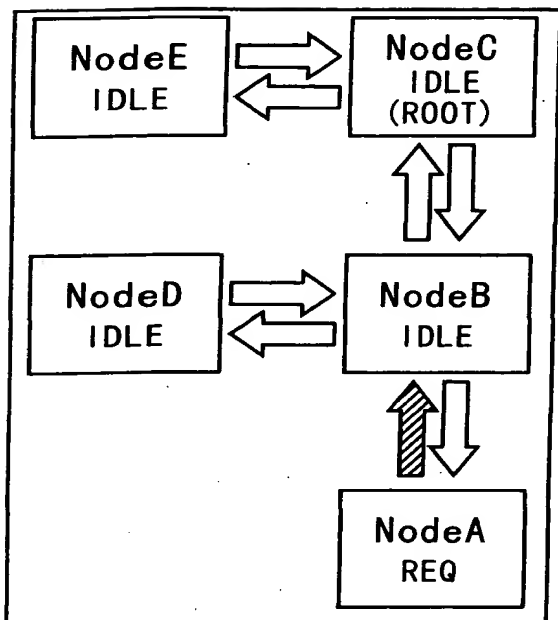


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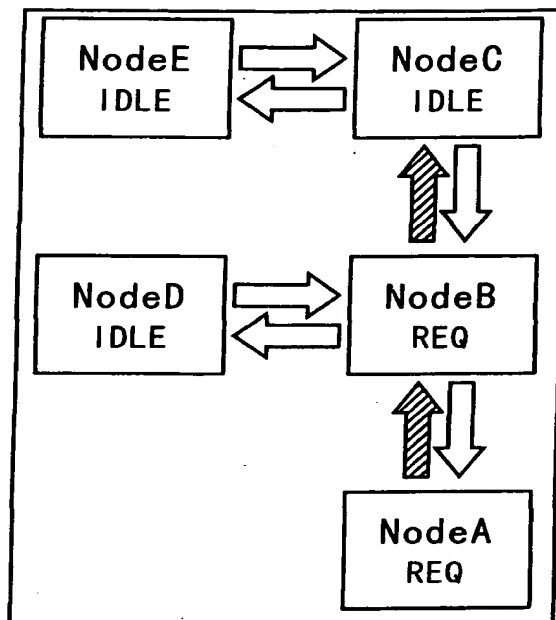


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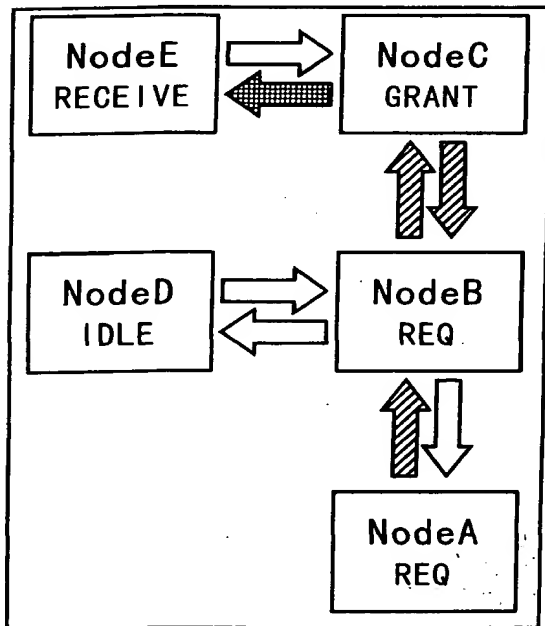
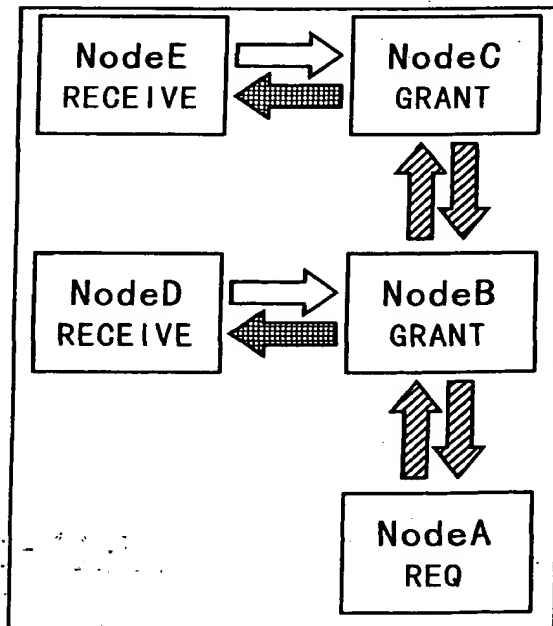


FIG. 6D



(PRIOR ART)

FIG. 7 A

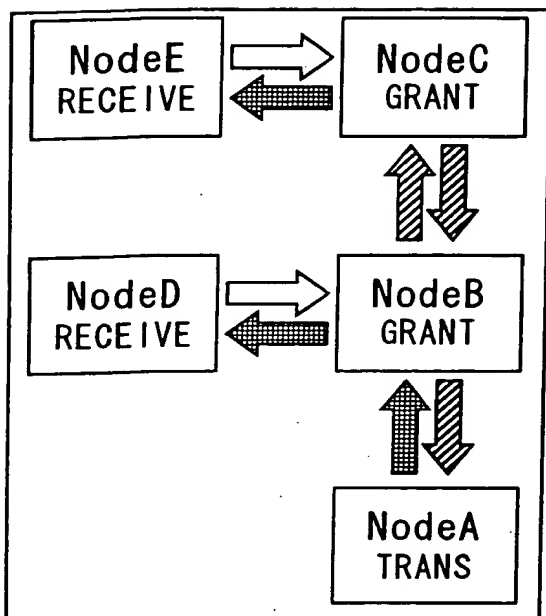


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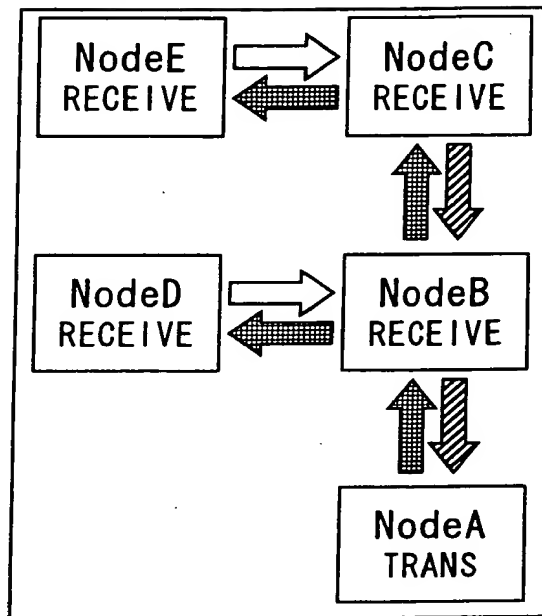


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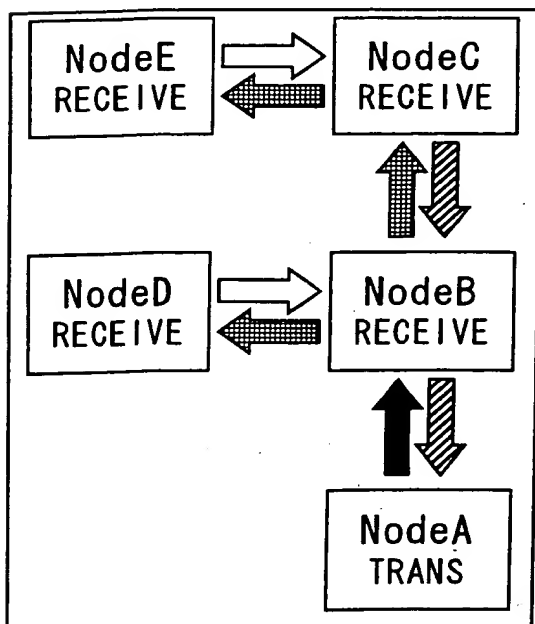
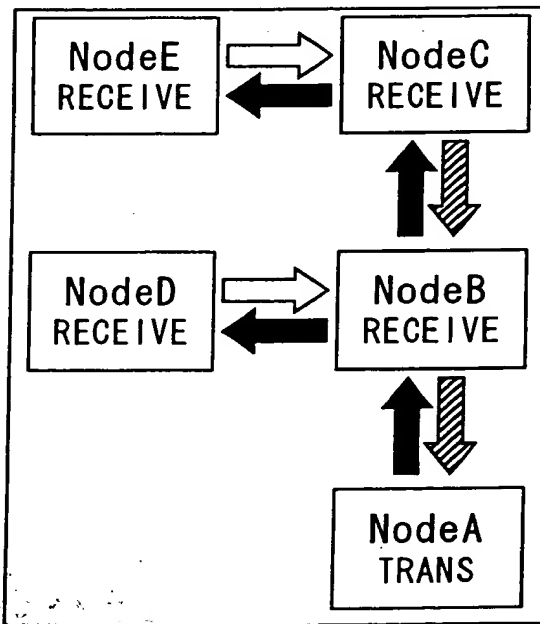


FIG. 7 D





(PRIOR ART)

FIG. 8 A

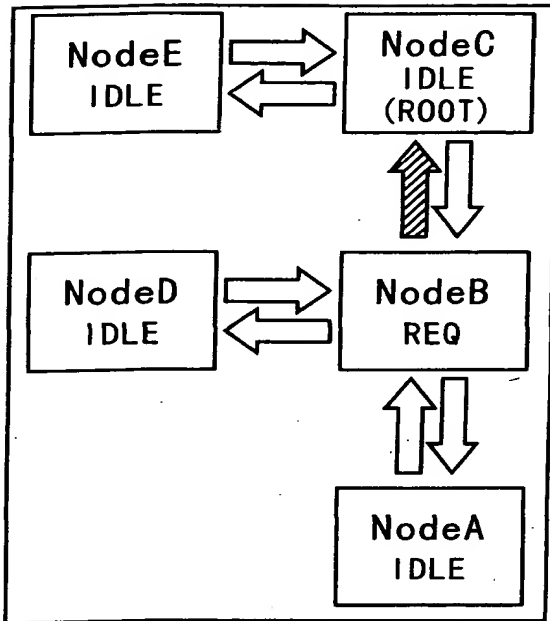


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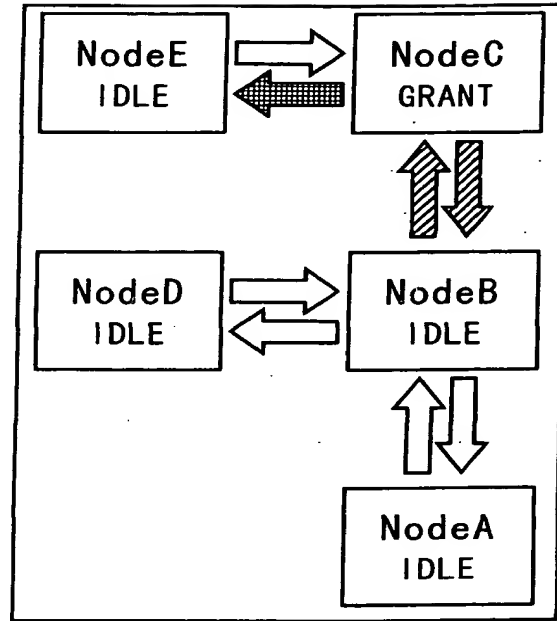
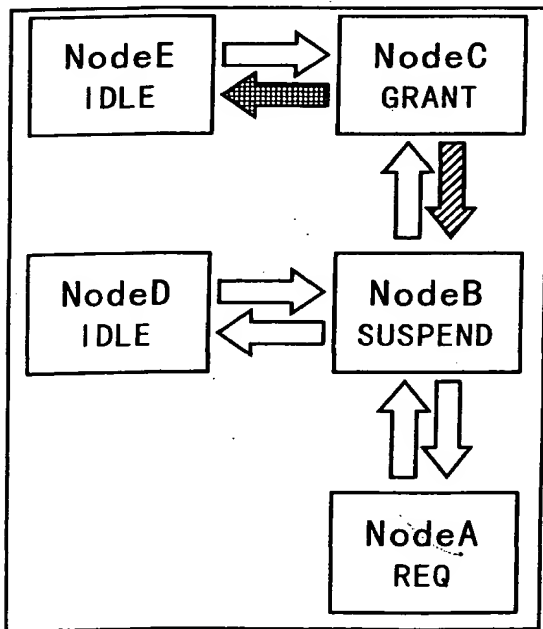


FIG. 8 C



(PRIOR ART)

FIG. 9 A

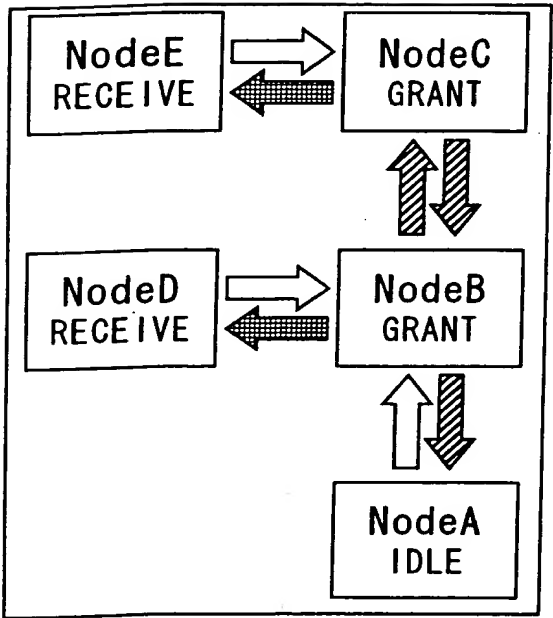


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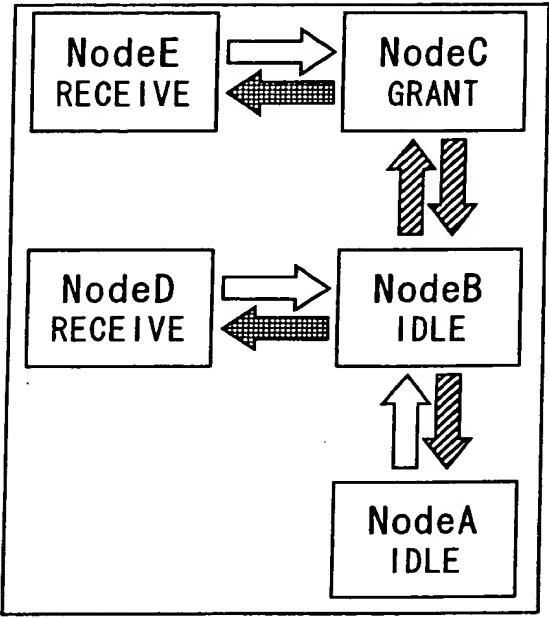


FIG. 9 C

